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SUBJECT: LOS REQUEST FOR MINERAL DATA

REF: STATE 148245

VIRTUALLY ALL REQUESTED DATA UNAVAILABLE OR CONSIDERED BY GOB AS CONFIDENTIAL. REPLIES FOLLOW TO NUMBERED QUESTIONS IN REFTEL:

PART I

1. PRODUCTION OIL AND GAS 1972-N.A. BUT 305,000 METRIC TONS CRUDE (ALL ONSHORE) PRODUCED 1971. 3.27 MILLION CUBIC METERS GAS PRODUCED 1971, BUT THIS FIGURE ALSO INCLUDES MANUFACTURED GAS.
2. CUMMULATIVE PRODUCTION N.A.
3. PROVED RECOVERABLE RESOURCES UNKNOWN.
4. ESTIMATED RECOVERABLE RESOURCES UNKNOWN, ALTHOUGH ONSHORE PRODUCTION PEAKED SEVERAL YEARS AGO. OFFSHORE EXPLORATION OF BLACK SEA CONDUCTED BY SOVIET TEAM BE-

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LIEVED TO HAVE SUNK EXPLORATORY WELLS, LOCATION AND

DEPTH UNKNOWN. THERE WAS SOME INTEREST SHOWN IN DEPOSITS OFF CAPE SHABLA BUT THESE NOW THOUGHT BE NON-COMMERCIAL.

5. UNKNOWN.

6. UNKNOWN.

7. OFFSHORE LICENSES OR CONCESSIONS UNKNOWN, BUT GOB HAS SOME SORT OF UNDERSTANDING WITH USSR ON BLACK SEA EXPLORATION.

8. AMOUNT OF MONEY EXPENDED UNKNOWN.

9. COMPLETE 1972 FOREIGN TRADE FIGURES NOT YET AVAILABLE BUT PETROLEUM IMPORTS SHOWN AS 8.279 MILLION METRIC TONS. EXPORTS NEGLIGIBLE. NATURAL GAS IMPORT AND EXPORT ZERO.

## PART II

NO INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON MARINE PLACER DEPOSITS, ALTHOUGH GOB WITH SOVIET ASSISTANCE BELIEVED TO BE EXPLORING POTENTIAL ON BLACK SEA.

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